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the face of the primary backing material and exposed at the back side of the primary backing material; and

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Cont
- c. an adhesive backing material, wherein the adhesive backing material has substantially penetrated and substantially consolidated the fibers, wherein the adhesive polymer comprises at least one homogenously branched ethylene polymer characterized as having a short chain branching distribution index (SCDBI) of greater than or equal to 50 percent, wherein the adhesive backing material is not integrally fused to the primary backing material, and wherein the carpet has a tuft bind of 5 pounds or more as measured according to ASTM D-1335-67.

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Please add the following new claims:

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- 15. The carpet of claim 1, wherein the primary backing material consists essentially of a polypropylene material.
  - 16. The carpet of claim 1 further comprising a secondary backing material adjacent to the adhesive backing material.
  - 17. The carpet of claim 16, wherein the secondary backing material comprises at least one homogenously branched ethylene polymer characterized as having a short chain branching distribution index (SCDBI) of greater than or equal to 50 percent.

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REMARKS

Claims 1-6 and 9-12 are pending in the application. All claims have been rejected. Claim 1 has been amended to improve its readability such as by separating the claim into sections and to remove reference to the optional secondary backing. Claim 1 has also been amended to recite a carpet structure wherein the adhesive backing material is not integrally fused